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Upcoming State Holiday's

February 19, 2007
April 23, 2007
May 28, 2007

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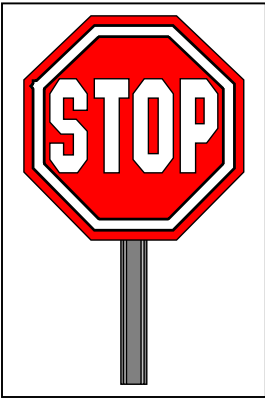
View from the Chair by Jason R. Cowart, LGSW

Greetings to all Alabama licensed social workers wherever dispersed! Before I begin my first commentary as chair, I would first like to thank all of the social workers in the 4th Congressional District for re-nominating me to serve as your representative on the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners. Second, to my fellow board members, I am very humbled and awed to have been voted Board Chair for the ensuing year. I have such great respect for each and every one of you. Finally, I would like to give a special “thank you” and “miss you” to Marsha Hobbs, whose board term expired in 2006. Your intelligence, cooperation, and sincerity while serving on this board was inspiring and the people of Congressional District 1 should be very proud to have had you represent them.

I would now like to update you on what has been going on here in Montgomery. Jerry Satterwhite has been re-appointed to another term on the board representing Congressional District 6. Jerry is also serving as chairman of ASWB's Program & Education Committee this year. We welcome Sharon Argiro who was appointed by Governor Riley to represent Congressional District 1. On February 23rd there will be a public hearing regarding proposed changes to the administrative code. This meeting will be held in Montgomery. Each of you should have received a mailing by now regarding this issue. Also, Alabama will be hosting the spring educational meeting of ASWB in April 2007. The meeting will take place in Mobile.

As you can see, your board is staying very busy. This year looks to be very exciting and I look forward to working with everyone in making 2007 great.

Protecting the public,
Jason



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PIP Required

Any person providing social work services independently under a contract must hold a PIP (Private Independent Practice) certification. To provide this service without the PIP would be in violation of Alabama Law 34-30-3.

If you are a LCSW without a PIP or a LGSW or LBSW please remember you are not eligible to work under “contract” with an agency because contract work is considered “independent” practice. Nothing in the Code prohibits someone from accepting a part-time job. If you are asked to work on a temporary basis with an agency to provide social work services, then be sure that the agency understands that they must hire you as an employee, and that it can-not be under contract work. Also, only PIP’s with Social Casework can provide home studies **independently** for private adoptions; however, someone **working** for an adoption agency or child placement agency can provide the home studies without the PIP. The difference being that the social worker in the second case is employed by the agency and the agency has an oversight or review process in place.

New Licensees (since last report)

New LBSW

4267B	BARKSDALE	TERESA	B	OCT 2006	FORT PAYNE
4268B	FOWLER	JAMIE	E	OCT 2006	THEODORE
4269B	FOX	LISA	L	OCT 2006	CAMDEN
4270B	HARVEY	NICOLETTE	B	OCT 2006	BIRMINGHAM
4271B	KELLEY	CAROL LISA		OCT 2006	AUBURN
4272B	TOLBERT	ZANETTA	L	OCT 2006	TUSCALOOSA
4273B	GRINER	AMY	L	OCT 2006	PELHAM
4274B	KEETON	JODIE	A	OCT 2006	CHEROKEE
4275B	LISENBY	KATJIE	W	OCT 2006	FAIRHOPE
4276B	WHITE	VALERI		OCT 2006	OPELIKA
4277B	CARTER	LINDA	G	OCT 2006	TROY
4278B	PACE	JANICE	K	OCT 2006	TUSCUMBIA
4279B	SMITH	MIRANDA	D	OCT 2006	WATERLOO
4280B	WILLINGHAM	CAROLYN	D	OCT 2006	HAMILTON
4281B	OWENS	NATHANIEL	S	OCT 2006	BIRMINGHAM
4282B	WILKS	ALAINA	L	OCT 2006	HENAGAR
4283B	CREECH	SEAN	C	NOV 2006	JACKSONVILLE
4284B	GARDNER	KELLY	R	NOV 2006	FORT PAYNE
4285B	WILKINS	MINDI	M	NOV 2006	ANNISTON
4286B	ATKINS	CHRISTINA	L	NOV 2006	BIRMINGHAM
4287B	CARPENTER	TERESA	B	NOV 2006	GRENADA
4288B	HAMPTON	VICKI	N	NOV 2006	BREMEN
4289B	MILLER	HEIDI	N	NOV 2006	ENTERPRISE
4290B	PENTON	LAUREN	D	NOV 2006	SYLACAUGA
4291B	SUTTON	RACHEL	L	NOV 2006	LEXINGTON
4292B	BAILEY	KIMBERLY	N	DEC 2006	HUNTSVILLE
4293B	ARMBRESTER	TARA	L	DEC 2006	BOAZ
4294B	GARDNER	ASHLEY	B	DEC 2006	CROPWELL
4295B	MCCORMICK	MICHELLE	Y	DEC 2006	BIRMINGHAM

4296B	WILLOUGHBY	TASHA	N	DEC 2006	CROSSVILLE
4297B	BALLARD	MEGAN	P	DEC 2006	ANDALUSIA
4298B	OSTRANDER	MISTY	D	DEC 2006	BIRMINGHAM
4299B	POWELL	DAVID	M	DEC 2006	CLANTON
4300B	WILLIAMS	SALLEDA	J	DEC 2006	BIRMINGHAM
4301B	HORTON	ERICA	L	DEC 2006	HOOVER
4302B	LEWIS	MARY	V	DEC 2006	TUSCALOOSA
4303B	MCCANTS	ROMANDO	M	DEC 2006	MONTGOMERY
4304B	PATTERSON	CRYSTAL	L	DEC 2006	TUSCALOOSA
4305B	HAYES	EMANDA	L	JAN 2007	MONTGOMERY
4306B	BENIGNI	JENNIFER	A	JAN 2007	ATHENS
4307B	MCGILVRAY	DESIREA	M	JAN 2007	ROBERTSDALE
4308B	MORENO	TAMMY	W	JAN 2007	ANNISTON
4309B	BUSSEY	ALVIA	M	JAN 2007	TUSCALOOSA
4310B	HOOD	ANDREA	C	JAN 2007	COTTONDALE
4311B	JOHNSON	SARAH	F	JAN 2007	COLUMBUS
4312B	HUNT	LATAYA	L	JAN 2007	MERIDIAN
4313B	GAFFORD	JULIE	A	FEB 2007	FLORENCE
4314B	JOHNSON	KIMBERLY		FEB 2007	BESSENER
4315B	MITCHELL	ANGELA	F	FEB 2007	ASHLAND
4316B	BENSON	JAMIE	L	FEB 2007	CALERA
4317B	BROTHERS JR	ERNEST		FEB 2007	MUSCLE SHOALS
4318B	COBB	ELIZABETH	R	FEB 2007	TALLADEGA
4319B	ELLIOTT	LINDSAY	E	FEB 2007	TUSCALOOSA

New LGSW

2192G	EDWARDS	CASSIDY	C	OCT 2006	TUSCALOOSA
2193G	HAMMCOCK	SUZANNE	M	OCT 2006	GADSDEN
2194G	PENUEL	REBEKAH	E	OCT 2006	TUSCALOOSA
2195G	STEWART	AMBER	D	OCT 2006	HACKLEBURG
2196G	COOK	MEGAN		OCT 2006	HOOVER

New Licensees (continued)

2197G	JOHNSON	HEATHER	M	OCT 2006	DOTHAN
2198G	LUMPKIN	TALIA	L	OCT 2006	ROBERTSDALE
2199G	PRIBYL	AMY	D	OCT 2006	FULTONDALE
2200G	HARTMAN	NAZAREN	M	OCT 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2201G	PITTMAN	CHRISTA	R	OCT 2006	SEMMES
2202G	LANFAIR	KARA	S	OCT 2006	FLORENCE
2203G	MUCHA	DAWN	M	OCT 2006	GULFPORT
2204G	FOREMAN	LORI	N	NOV 2006	ANDALUSIA
2205G	JENKINS	BETTY	M	NOV 2006	MOBILE
2206G	MCCULLOUGH	ADRIAN	J	NOV 2006	HOMEWOOD
2207G	MEAGHER	PATRICIA	J	NOV 2006	MADISON
2208G	MITCHELL	ANNE	E	NOV 2006	FAIRHOPE
2209G	STAMM	BRENDA		NOV 2006	MOBILE
2210G	WOOD	SUSAN	L	NOV 2006	DOUBLE SPRINGS
2211G	HARRIS	DEYANDRA	B	NOV 2006	TUSCALOOSA
2212G	HORTON	BRANDI	N	NOV 2006	COLUMBIANA
2213G	NELSON	GAYLE	A	NOV 2006	OWENS CRS RDS
2214G	DARWIN	LORI	E	NOV 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2215G	GARNETT	EMILY	M	NOV 2006	HARTSELLE
2216G	MOSS	PENNY	R	NOV 2006	HOMEWOOD
2217G	BEDSOLE	CATHERINE	E	NOV 2006	COLUMBUS
2218G	BROWN	ELAINE	W	NOV 2006	CLINTON
2219G	BARNER	LESLIE	N	NOV 2006	MONTGOMERY
2220G	DRAKE	SHERRITA	R	NOV 2006	COLUMBIANA
2221G	JOHNSON	JANICE	C	NOV 2006	SOUTHSIDE
2222G	JOHNSON	LATRESHA	D	NOV 2006	COLUMBUS
2223G	MACKEY	HOPE	S	NOV 2006	FORT PAYNE
2224G	POLSON	SHANNON	M	NOV 2006	HOOVER
2225G	ROBERTS	DONNA	N	NOV 2006	MOBILE
2226G	TURNER	KEVIN	G	NOV 2006	MOBILE
2227G	WERTHER	ECKART		NOV 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2228G	O'NEAL	MIRANDA	D	DEC 2006	HOOVER
2229G	POUNDERS	WENDY	D	DEC 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2230G	WADE	AARON	T	DEC 2006	NORTHPORT
2231G	CARLSON	DELAUNE'	D	DEC 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2232G	MILES	TAMMY	C	DEC 2006	VALLEY
2233G	POWELL-HOLCOMB	TOMIKA	D	DEC 2006	MOBILE
2234G	PURVIS	JOE	L	JAN 2007	SATSUMA
2235G	SCOTT	SHIRLYKA	Y	JAN 2007	UNION SPRINGS
2236G	COAKER	MARTHA	D	JAN 2007	DEER PARK
2237G	MUMPFIELD	ASHATA	K	JAN 2007	MONTGOMERY
2238G	NELSON	VANIA	R	JAN 2007	MONTGOMERY
2239G	DAVIS	ROCHELLE	L	JAN 2007	HUNTSVILLE
2240G	CRUMBLEY	MELISSA	J	JAN 2007	HUNTSVILLE
2241G	HILL	KASSANDRA	L	JAN 2007	BIRMINGHAM
2242G	LESSER	KELLI	A	JAN 2007	BIRMINGHAM
2243G	MCGOVERN	BRANDY	L	JAN 2007	TOPEKA
2244G	PFOTENHAUER	ALLEN	M	JAN 2007	PHENIX CITY
2245G	WATSON	DANA	E	FEB 2007	IRVINGTON
2246G	WHEATON	KATHERINE	M	FEB 2007	PHENIX CITY
2247G	JACKSON	JENNIFER	L	FEB 2007	HANCEVILLE
2248G	SLEETS	KENNETH	K	FEB 2007	TUSCALOOSA
2249G	VANSANDT	GLENDA	H	FEB 2007	SELMA
New LCSW					
2019C	CURREY	JANICE	W	OCT 2006	MADISON
2020C	FINLEY	JEM		OCT 2006	HOMEWOOD
2021C	BOYLES	AMANDA	M	OCT 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2022C	BICKERSTAFF	KENNETH	P	OCT 2006	MONTGOMERY
2023C	DAVIS	MARILYN	G	OCT 2006	MUSCLE SHOALS
2024C	HOWARD	LANESA	D	OCT 2006	MONTGOMERY
2025C	MCCARLEY	GILDA	H	OCT 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2026C	PRUITT	MARY	J	OCT 2006	WEAVER
2027C	SHEPPARD	JEANETTA		OCT 2006	RIVERVIEW
2028C	CAGLIONE	SUZANNE	H	NOV 2006	SPANISH FORT
2029C	STRICKLAND	JANET	L	NOV 2006	DALEVILLE
2030C	BOREN	KAREN	E	NOV 2006	PELHAM
2031C	WETHERBEE	MEGAN	D	NOV 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2032C	RAWHOUSER	HANNAH	E	NOV 2006	TUCKER
2033C	BRIGGS	ELIZABETH	V	NOV 2006	BIRMINGHAM
2034C	ESTLE	KELLY		DEC 2006	SATSUMA
2035C	SCHMIDT	LAUREL	J	DEC 2006	AUBURN
2036C	BROWN	NEFERTARI	T	DEC 2006	HOOVER
2037C	KERR	ASHLEY	M	DEC 2006	NORTHPORT
2038C	ALLEN	MARGARET	V	DEC 2006	FAIRHOPE
2039C	THORNTON	KIMBERLY	L	JAN 2007	LITHONIA
2040C	SWEETAPPLE	JAN	L	JAN 2007	ALABASTER
2041C	CLAYBORN	ESOPHIA	J	JAN 2007	HUNTSVILLE
2042C	WINKLER	LISA	M	JAN 2007	NORTHPORT
2043C	SAVAGE	JENNIFER	J	JAN 2007	JACKSONVILLE
2044C	SHAULIS	KATHLEEN	A	JAN 2007	BRANTLEY
2045C	ALLON	AMY	J	FEB 2007	BIRMINGHAM
2046C	SAYCE	JULIE	A	FEB 2007	BIRMINGHAM
2047C	FREDERICK	SANDRA	L	FEB 2007	CORDOVA
2048C	HALL	APRIL	M	FEB 2007	HAZEL GREEN
2049C	SHORTT	SAMMI	N	FEB 2007	AUBURN
New Private Independent Practice Certifications					
0790-2019C	CURREY, JANICE W			OCT 2006	
0791-0969C	GONZENBACH, LISA S			OCT 2006	
0792-1392C	HIGHTOWER, WILLIAM L			OCT 2006	
0793-2015C	HOLMES, BRANDY W			OCT 2006	
0794-1816C	MURDOCK, LEIGH ANN			OCT 2006	
0795-1989C	MUSTIN, BRENDA H			OCT 2006	
0796-1240C	WALKER, BARBARA J			OCT 2006	
0797-1614C	HOLT, VONETTA J			OCT 2006	
0798-1932C	WHALEN, TERRI S			NOV 2006	

Four Things You Need to Know before Ordering a New License

"Proof of legal name change must be submitted."

1. The cost of a new license is \$10.00 and should be paid in the form of a money order, certified check or business check. We can not accept personal checks or cash.
2. To ensure that we place the name you want on your license accurately, please include a statement telling us exactly what name you want on the license. For example, some may want their entire middle name and others just the middle initial.
3. Proof of legal name change must be submitted with your \$10.00 fee if you are ordering a new license and have had a name change. If you have gotten married, this proof can simply be a copy of your marriage license.
4. When we receive your request with the fee along with the proof of name change if there was one, we will place the order. It will take **8 – 10 weeks** before you receive your new license. The Board has the licenses special ordered from a person who does our calligraphy.

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New Private Independent Practice Certifications

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0799-2034C	ESTLE, KELLY	JAN 2007
0800-2020C	FINLEY, JEM	JAN 2007
0801-2006C	HALES, LESLIE D	JAN 2007
0802-1941C	IVKER, BARRY	JAN 2007
0803-1853C	NICHOLS, LUCY C	JAN 2007
0804-2043C	SAVAGE, JENNIFER J	JAN 2007
0805-2040C	SWEETAPPLE, JAN L	JAN 2007

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Update for On-line Renewals

Well, so far so good, we've survived the initial phase of having the renewal process on-line. We've had a total of 228 people to renew on-line to date. Congratulations goes out to Ms. **Elizabeth A. Barnette**, LBSW of Robertsedale, AL for being the first person to register on-line and to our very own **Paula S. Clark**, LBSW of Cropwell, AL for being the first person to submit the CE documentation after her on-line renewal was received. There were some kinks and we got some telephone calls from people having problems, but overall, the process went reasonably well with minimum complications. One of the problems we've repeatedly had with the new process has been the date entry since it must be the two-digit month and day and the four-digit year. Most of us just use the two-digit year and the system will not accept that. For example if you attended a program on February 9, 2007 the input for that date would be 02/09/2007. If the CE program you attended is longer than one day you will need to enter only the start date for the program since the systems can not handle multiple dates. With trial and error and a little passage of time we'll get past the little problems and hiccups we've experienced.

There is one very important thing you'll need to remember if you do register on-line. You are still required to submit the CE documentation to the Board by mail for final review before you can receive the "seal" that goes on your license. This would be the final step to the renewal process. It's very helpful to us also if you submit a copy of your paid receipt with the CE forms so we'll know immediately what the submission is in relation to.

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Meet Sharon Argiro Representative for District 1 Your Newest Board Member

Sharon graduated from the University of South Alabama with her Bachelor Science and the University of Tennessee with her MSSW. Before transferring to the State Office she worked with The Mobile County Department of Human Resources in the Public Assistance, Child Support, Family Services, Food Assistance and Adult Services Divisions. She currently works for the Department of Human Resources as a Program Specialist for the Family Services Division. She began working for DHR in 1974. Sharon is representing District 1 on the Board and attended her first Board meeting in Montgomery on January 26, 2007.

Jerry Satterwhite is Re-appointed to the Board

As you may remember, we had two openings for Board members in our last newsletter. Jerry Satterwhite of Indian Springs, AL was re-appointed to the District 6 position. Jerry has served the Board for many years as he was appointed for the first time in March 1995 for the period through October 2001, and then again in October 2004 for a period that will now extend through September 2009. We are privileged to have someone so dedicated with his experience serving the Board. Jerry just recently retired after more than 40 years with the Department of Veterans Affairs. He hopes to travel with his wife and spend more time with his grandchildren.

Address Changes

Please remember to submit your address changes to the Board Office. We can not take address changes by the telephone; the correction must be in writing. You may mail, fax or email you address correction to us.

Renewal Notices

The Board automatically mails reminders to all licensees to renew their social work license and certifications. This is not a requirement but a courtesy. The renewal forms can be printed from our website. The expenses of mailing these notices are burdensome, and we may need to reconsider this process in the future. If it becomes necessary for us to make an adjustment it will either be to send a postcard reminder, or to require that each person be responsible for remembering their own renewal as you are required to do for your driver's license.

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